

Forum Communications Company

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Forum Communications Company respectfully submits the following written testimony in opposition to Senate Bill 2069.

Forum Communications Company is the owner and operator of four prominent newspapers in North Dakota: *The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead, The Grand Forks Herald, The Jamestown Sun, and The Dickinson Press.*Collectively, these publications, along with their affiliated websites, disseminate thousands of public notices each year, with the sole objective of ensuring the public is informed about significant actions occurring within their respective communities.

In addition to the broad reach provided by these newspapers and their digital platforms, Forum Communications Newspapers also submits all public notices to the statewide public notice website, ndpublicnotices.com, which was established in 2013 at no additional cost to the government. This initiative further underscores our commitment to public transparency and information accessibility.

We sincerely appreciate your thoughtful consideration and respectfully urge you to cast a "No" vote on SB 2069.

Sincerely,

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